

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for generating rating notification to a user of a requested service in a communications system, comprising the steps of:

traversing a tariff structure;

during the traversing, detecting one or more notification requests for intermediate conditions; and

after the step of detecting said one or more notification requests,

analysing said detected one or more notification requests to determine if the notification should be sent directly to the user to be collected for post-analysis,

if the notification is determined to be sent directly, sending said one or more notifications to the user,

if the notification is determined to not be sent directly, storing said one or more notification requests for post analysis, and

if one or more notifications are collected for post-analysis, analysing all unsent notifications for determining which are to be sent,

~~sending one or more notifications resulting from said one or more notifications requests to the user.~~

2.-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[2]]1, comprising the step of merging one or more messages before they are sent to the user.

5. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 4, wherein the merging is determined by a merging logic.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[2]]1, wherein said analysis is run on enquiry; before, during or after session/call/purchase; or before, during, or after refill.
7. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said one or more notification requests are for price enquiries.
8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein all conditions fulfilled during traversal is output as a log, wherein said log is processed in a subsequent step by a separate process to analyse the performed rating and produce corresponding one or more notifications.
9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein specific notification requests in the tariff structure triggers notifications that can either be issued in real-time or collected for further processing.
10. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein one or more condition that is fulfilled is sent to an external notification process for analysis.
11. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein a log of how the tariff structure has been traversed is created and processed after the analyses for generating a notification(s).
12. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the conditions affect the result being determined.
13. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the notification is sent to another destination than the terminal involved in the chargeable session.

14. (Previously Presented) A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium comprising program instructions for causing a computer to perform the method of claim 1, wherein the computer readable medium comprises a record medium, computer memory, or read-only memory.

15. (Previously Presented) A computer program embodied on a computer readable carrier and comprising computer executable instructions for causing a computer to perform the method according to claim 1, wherein the carrier comprises a record medium, computer memory, or read-only memory.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) A system for generating rating notification(s) to a user in a communications system characterised by rating means including a computer apparatus adapted to perform the method of claim 1.

18. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 17, wherein said system is operating in a mobile communications system.

19. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 17, wherein said system is an Internet protocol based protocol or a common channel signalling system.

20. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 17, wherein said service is a prepaid service.

21. (Previously Presented) The system as in claim 17, wherein said service is an electronic commerce/payment service.

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